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SOUTHERN, NORTHERN, & JOINT SOUTHEAST REGIONAL PLANNING TEAM MEETING

Wednesday, April 5, 2017 (9:00 a.m.) NSRAA Board Room 1308 Sawmill Creek Road Sitka, Alaska 99935

Juneau. . .The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G), announces the Joint, Northern, and Southern Southeast Regional Planning Teams spring 2017 meeting will be held at the above time and place. The Regional Planning Teams (RPT) consist of representatives of salmon fishing gear groups and ADF&G personnel. RPTs were established by the Commissioner of ADF&G for the purpose of development and amendment of comprehensive salmon plans; making recommendations concerning private non-profit hatchery permits and permit alteration requests (PARs); and making recommendations concerning the allocation of enhanced salmon throughout Southeast Alaska. This meeting is open to the public.

The Northern RPT will review: two PARs by NSRAA to move 20 million chum salmon eggs of capacity from Hidden Falls Hatchery to Medvejie Creek Hatchery and a PAR by DIPAC to increase the capacity at Amalga Harbor by 10 million chum salmon eggs. The Southern RPT will review two SSRAA PARs concerning releases at Port Asumcion: one to allow Burnett Inlet Hatchery to produce the 8 million chum salmon eggs currently permitted and one to increase the coho salmon release from 250,000 to 400,000 smolt. The Joint RPT will discuss allocation of hatchery-produced salmon and possibly other related topics.

Should you have special needs in order to participate in this meeting, copies of the agenda or additional information, please contact Mr. Pryor (<u>Garold.Pryor@alaska.gov</u>). PDF copies of PARs can be found at: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fishingHatcheriesPlanning.regional

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